

Local Writer To Edit Booklet For Stake

The Ward leaders will be given additional information at an auxiliary meeting on Sept. 27 at the Stake House. In the meantime, if anyone would be interested in a little help, they are invited to call Martha at 654-4411.

Valley Writer's Club Organized

The new Heber Valley Chapter of League of Utah Writers, organized in August with five members, had its second meeting on Sept. 11 with two new members joining.

Officers are Martha Fugate, president; Joyce Kohler, president-elect, and Muriel Burt, secretary-treasurer. Members at present are Mable Mitchell, Halie Keeling, Loni Linford, and Lyn Goffaux. Dues, which go to the state organization, are \$1 per month. From this, the state sponsors writing contest with fifteen categories, workshops, speakers as requested, a Writers' Roundup, which was held in Logan at USU earlier this month, in general, encouragement to aspiring writers with instruction and helpful criticism.

Meetings are held at member's homes on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Locations will be printed in *The Wave*, or can be learned by calling one of the above officers.

Martha Fugate



Martha Fugate has accepted the Midway Stake Presidency's invitation to direct the writing program for the Stake literary publication, which is usually ready for a gift for Stake mothers on Mother's Day. Since the previous name "Reflections" is used nationwide by the PTA for a school writing program, the name will be changed to Midway Stake Writers "Search For Excellence."

Martha was an English major graduate from BYU, where she was active in creative writing. She taught English for two years at the secondary level and was employed for two school years reading and grading college compositions. She has been involved in creative writing all her life.

In accordance with the aim of searching for excellence, she would like to help writers realize their creative goals by workshops on the Ward level and individual help if requested. Tentative deadline for submitting entries for the booklet is Feb. 15, 1990.

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HON. ABRAM C. HATCH of Heber City, who passed away March 24th, 1932, was a veteran business and professional man in the public life of Wasatch County and the state. His home had been in Utah all his life, for over three-quarters of a century, and he was one of the most active of the old-timers in the affairs of his district.

Mr. Hatch was born at Lehi, Utah County, December 14, 1856, son of Abram and Parmelia J. (Lott) Hatch. His father was one of the earliest pioneers of Lehi, and in the course of a long and active life was a merchant, farmer, rancher, and for many years bishop of the Church of the Latter Day Saints. He was the first president of the Wasatch Stake. He died December 8, 1911.

Abram C. Hatch as a boy attended public schools at Lehi and Heber. In 1876, at the age of twenty, he began ranching in Eastern Utah and Western Colorado, raising cattle and horses. In 1879 he established his home at Heber, where he continued in association with his father and brother in the ranch business until 1894. In the meantime there came to him the call of public service. In 1893 he was elected a member of the Legislature from the district comprising Wasatch, Emery and Grand counties. He served

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one term of two years. In the meantime he was devoting all his leisure time to the study of law and on February 23, 1895, was admitted to practice before the Utah Supreme Court. During the subsequent thirty-five years he handled a large volume of general law practice and has earned the reputation of a very able lawyer. In 1896 he received the Republican nomination for district judge, getting the nomination in convention by a vote of forty-five to eighteen. He was defeated by just 103 votes. However, the successful candidate resigned in June after his election and Judge Hatch was appointed to fill the unexpired term by the governor. In 1900 he was elected on the Republican ticket district attorney for Wasatch, Utah and Uinta counties, serving one term, and refused reelection. Judge Hatch organized the town of Heber, and served as its attorney for three years. He gave freely of his time and professional services in many ways for the benefit of his locality and district. He helped establish the Heber Light & Power Company. He had an official part in the Republican party organization and in 1929 was prominent in the Ogden Republican Convention. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Heber, the Utah State and American Bar Associations.

Judge Hatch married December 17, 1879, Miss Maria Luke of Heber, daughter of Henry and Harriett Luke, who were early settlers in Sanpete County. Mrs. Hatch passed away March 19, 1919. On April 12, 1920, Judge Hatch married Elizabeth Nelson of Heber. His four children were: Abram Chase, Jr., now deceased; Henry Ray, a prominent physician of Idaho Falls, where he established a well equipped hospital; Sumner, now a member of the board of county commissioners of Wasatch County; and Kate, wife of George C. Murdock, Jr., of Beaver, Utah.

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